

## *Table 15 (comments)*

### *Why not remove name from waiting list?*

We left our name on lists just in case the babysitter that I found did not work out.

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We removed our names from all lists but one. Our turn never came up on any of the waiting lists and have had to make other arrangements.

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My oldest son is going to have to go to White Rock for Preschool at Montessori. I kept his name on a list up here in Los Alamos Just in case they had an opening..

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Haven't found care yet

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I would prefer one of the places that I am waiting for and might switch if a spot opened. Also, since I have gotten to hunt for a new spot every 5 to 6 mos, it seems like a good idea to stay on the lists.

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I found care at the least desirable place first.

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not found yet.

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The first one that became available was not the one that I wanted in the long term. It took 6 months to get a spot in the daycare of choice, where the teachers are more qualified.

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I was on one waiting list and had a space reserved when I was able to return to work.

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In case things didn't workout at the first available dyacare center

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Preferred childcare where there was a waiting list.

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Still haven't found care, and still on waiting list

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Because we may have to change daycare providers and need to be on a list to have a backup.

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I didn't realize I needed to.

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Because I was and still am looking for a back up.

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Because when my husband goes back to work, we will need childcare.

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I don't know if we did.

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I was removed from these lists when the slots were all taken before my child could be accomodated.

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I have never been happy with the childare, I always needed a backup just in case things did not work out.

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I didn't think it was important. If a slot happened to become available, I would let them know. It also kept the option open, incase I became unhappy with my current situaiton.

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didn't think about it as my space wasn't secure until I paid for the first month's care

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JUST IN CASE

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The care I found is only for one week, so I cannot remove myself from other lists. For that matter, these situations can change in a matter of a week, so is it really wise to take oneself off of lists? Most of my friends have to change providers several times a year.

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A relative is watching my child until I can find childcare.

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Because we prefer to have our daughter cared for in the Los Alamos area.

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Because childcare arranges do not always work out. I have had daycares go out of business and go through staffing changes that forced me to change the facility I used.

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In case the child care provider didn't work out - if I was not satisfied with the care. It's too difficult to find good child care.

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In case that I wasn't satisfied

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We still have no backup care for our daughter. I would like to have some sort of backup arrangement available.

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Because my friend is leaving in January and will need care then.

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To make sure I enjoyed my child's caretaker

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needed the spot for second child

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I wanted care at Montessori because I thought it would be superior and the work hours of the temporary provider did not match my work hours.

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Still on the list.

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When you have to settle for one option because that's all that's available at the moment, of course you won't exclude your other options -- just in case it doesn't work out at Center #1, you want to be able to have a fall-back plan.

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gave up

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Just in case something else fell thru and also to see how long it would take before I was called back.

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I kept our child on one list, because the first place he was able to get into, we did not like after just on month. So, when the other place became available, we moved him.

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- 1) One place called me and told me they have an opening after I got day care set up
  - 2) At the ARC we were number 30+ and they are canceling the waiting list once a year. I felt like there was no need

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didn't think to.

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I am in the process of seeing if I can get my child into a Montessori school for Jan through May 2000, however they don't know if they have space. I started asking in July, they said to call back in October, maybe they will know then. Meanwhile, I have found a space for my child at a different day care and will consider keeping this space if the Montessori School does not have an opening.

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did not want to give up position on other lists  
prior to ensuring that selected daycare was of  
high quality and daycare providers were sufficiently  
trained

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The first couple of arrangements were not what I wanted, long term.

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Only list I was on was for the facility where my child was accepted. I just stayed out of work for an additional week. However, I had already made arrangements for a home care provider that I cancelled.

Because if the current situation didn't work out, I wanted another option available.

I wanted to have the option open to me to change care providers if I found it necessary.

Both offered positions at about the same time.

Because you don't know if the current situation will work out. If it doesn't work out, and you remove yourself from the waiting lists, then you have no options to change a potentially bad situation.

I was accepted on the only waiting list I was on.

N/A

I still haven't been called from other daycares that I put names on the list.

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As means of back up in case the other did not work out.

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I preferred a day care center, or private care.

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Because they will call me to confirm.

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I may need to use these services when they become available.

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I found alternate care until there was a space for me in Montessorri (I am still on the list).

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Wanted to make sure that care was appropriate and as agreed to and child was getting best care. Many use the older children to assist in the child care instead of having sufficient trained help.

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I searched the different programs available and found that Sage was able to place my children. They were very helpful. None of the other even called me at any time after I enquired regarding placement.

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Wanted to verify that provider was good and how things would work out with employer

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Because we could not get a place at our preferred child care school.

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just in case I did not approve of the current childcare facility after taking my child for a while

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The only that you get to evaluate your choice of day care providers is if your name makes it to the top of the lists.

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I wanted to make sure the care I found would meet my child's needs as well as my own.

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well we felt one of the childcare facilities was the best for our child. we are still on the waiting list.

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Want kids around other kids.

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only one list.

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I was only on one list.

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I'd like a facility in Los Alamos.

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